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PLANNED BY A WIDOW

By M. QUAD

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The widow Hunnewell had been a widow for four years, and she hadn't found much in life for her. She had had to split her own wood, build her own fire and milk her own cow. Every day she had missed Mr. Hunnewell, and when night came and the wind moaned and the rain fell and the shingles blew off the roof she wept and wished it were all over.

At length Professor Doty arrived in the village. Not only that, but he arrived next door. He was a professor of natural history in a college, and he came to the village for his vacation. He was a man of sixty, tall and reserved and dignified. He gave every one a feeling of awe. Mr. Hunnewell, on the contrary, had been short and fat and jolly, and people used to poke him in the ribs and joke with him. It was probably the contrast that caused the widow to fall in love at first sight.

She leaned over the fence and introduced herself, and he approached and talked to her. He had found a tree toed hidden in the bark of a locust tree, and he was glad to talk to some one about his find.

While the professor lectured the widow fell deeper in love and exclaimed: "Do tell!" and "Oh, my soul!" She was an interested listener. She said she'd give anything to learn all about toads and bugs and grasshoppers and chins, and the professor was a bit flattered. If the woman next door had been a nice, loving woman she would have invited the widow over to make further acquaintance, but she was a different person. She said that widows had too much rope as it was and that Mrs. Hunnewell was always out of tea and coffee when a neighbor wanted to borrow. And the professor wasn't to be caught sight of so often either.

However, when Providence gets its machinery once started there are generally results. One night when the wind didn't morn and the shingles didn't rattle, but when it was moonlight and calm instead, the widow was awakened from her sleep by a bad dream. She thought herself surrounded by potato bugs and fighting for her life. The dream made such an impression that she got out of bed and looked out of the window. There was the explanation before her eyes. The professor had climbed the fence and was in her yard and down on hands and knees in the grass. He had on so few clothes that it was easy to guess he had risen from his bed to look for crickets. Not a word did the widow say. She just got into bed and did some thinking. That thinking resulted in her sending for the village constable next day and saying to him:

"Mr. Richards, if a widow living all alone should have reason to believe that her house was about to be broken into, what should she do?"

"You mean if she saw a man dodging around in the yard?"

"Yes."

"Well, she might scream."

"Yes."

"Yes."

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"Or she might throw something out of the window at him."

"Yes."

"Or she might take her life and her broomstick in hand and rush out and crack his skull."

"I see."

"But if I was that woman I'd borrow a shotgun, load it with salt and fire on him from a window."

"And what would the salt do?"

"Keep him in bed for about a week. If there is anybody speaking around your house or nights I've got the gun and the salt, and you can protect yourself. The law will be on your side. Aim at his legs and let 'er go."

The widow took a couple of hours to think it over and then sent for the gun. She was taught how to fire it, and when the sun went down that evening she felt that events were going to happen before morning. What Professor Doty was looking for the night before was crickets. Their songs had floated into his open window at midnight and awoke him. He had climbed the fence into the next yard without a thought of trespass. He had got down on hands and knees and panned around, but the crickets had evaded him. He would try again.

If there had been any bells in the town they would have been striking 11 o'clock when the waiting, watching widow heard some one softly drop from the fence, then come into sight crawling over the grass. She saw him grab with this hand and the other and heard him chuckle. Then she pointed the gun out of the window and shot her eyes and fired. There was a whoop and a yell, and she rattled downstairs to find the professor lying on the grass. He had been saluted. Nevermore would he be fresh again. Nevermore would he want any salt on his potatoes.

Of course the plan was to rush him into the house, call a doctor and keep him around for a week as an invalid. There would be romance in the salt and gratitude for the soups prepared for him, and those things might lead on and on. They didn't, however. The professor cussed; he swore; he wriggled; he said that any woman who would shoot a barrel of salt into an innocent man ought to be hanged, and as he made his way to the fence he called back:

"And my wife is coming here in the morning to stay for two weeks. Woman, keep your old crickets and be hanged to you!"

MANY NEW ONES.

A Christian Science Church Every Three and One-half Days.

Boston, June 7.—A Christian Science church was established every three and one-half days during the year ending June 1, according to the report of clerk John V. Dittmore at the annual meeting yesterday of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, the mother church of the Christian Science denomination. "This increase included North and South America, Europe and South Africa."

The officers elected yesterday were: President, William P. Baldwin; first reader, Judge Clifford P. Smith; clerk, John V. Dittmore; treasurer, Stephen A. Chase.

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HEIKE KEEPS ON IN DEFENCE

Sugar Trust Secretary Is Eager to Testify

HEIKE TRIAL ON CUSTOMS

Fraud Charges Is Coming to a Close. The Case Is Likely to Be Given to the Jury by Wednesday.

New York, June 7.—Charles R. Heike, secretary of the American Sugar Refining company, was on the witness stand nearly all day yesterday, seeking to clear his name of the charge of conspiracy to defraud the government in underweights of sugar. He continued his denial of any knowledge of the fraudulent scales or of the details concerning weighing on the docks, and sought to prove that there was no cheating at the Williamsburg refinery, because profits of that institution were generally lower than at the trust's other refineries.

Arthur Donner, president of the American Sugar Refining company of New York and vice president of the trust, succeeded Heike on the stand. He testified that none of the company's officers had charge of the customs duties, but that two clerks, now dead, had charge of this work. Heike, he said, did not even have authority to sign checks.

Chester Woodward, a director of the Nassau Trust company, Brooklyn, called by the defense, testified that Oliver Spitzer, the former dock superintendent, convicted, but pardoned, and now aiding the prosecution, had deposited a total of \$106,487 in the bank between May and November, 1907. He was then in the sugar company's employ. These figures caused a stir in the courtroom, Spitzer having testified that his salary was only \$45 a week and that he was the scapegoat of the underweighing fraud.

It is expected that the case will go to the jury on Wednesday.

CALLS SOCIALIST PARTY ONLY ONE TO CURE TSUTS

Berger Takes Issue with Taft—He Says the Republican Organization Is That of Capitalism and the Democratic Dead.

New York, June 7.—Victor Berger, one of the militant chiefs of the Socialist party of the United States, locally an alderman-at-large in Milwaukee and virtually dictator of that city, Sunday night answered President Taft's declaration of Saturday at Jackson, Mich., that socialism is the dominant question of our times, and must be settled, inferentially, by the Republican party.

"How could the Republican party solve this great problem, when it is the organization of capitalism? How could the Democratic party deal with it intelligently, since it is not only dead, but so stupid that it does not know it is moribund? What other party is there left but the Socialist party, the expression, the head and front of the question?"

These questions Mr. Berger fired at his interviewer with the speed of a machine gun.

"I agree with Mr. Taft's view of the immensity of the question. However, I doubt the ability of the Republican party to solve this problem. Every great corruption in the country knows it has a friend in the Republican party. Every trust knows it can trust the Republican party."

"The Socialists look at the trusts with a different eye. We know the trusts are the legitimate outcome of the capitalist system. Competition kills competition, the big ones eat the little ones, the bigger ones eat the big and finally the biggest combine into a merger or gigantic trust. We know that capitalism has a certain mission to perform, that of concentrating wealth, and it has done that grandly. But they have outlived their usefulness, and the great problem now is to make use of all owners of these trusts."

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